

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An image sensing apparatus ~~which generates image data and authentication data necessary for a process of authenticating whether the image data is altered, comprising:~~

an image sensing unit that generates image data of a sensed image; and

a key data control unit that generates key data if a user turns on the power of the image sensing apparatus, the key data being used to generate authentication data, the authentication data being used to authenticate whether the image data is altered,

wherein the key data control unit erases the key data necessary to generate the authentication data is erased in accordance with a predetermined condition.

2. (Currently Amended) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the key data control unit erases the key data is erased when if a user turns off a the power supply of the image sensing apparatus.

3-17. (Cancelled)

18. (New) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the key data control unit generates the key data using two different data.

19. (New) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the key data control unit generates the authentication data using the key data.

20. (New) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the key data control unit (a) generates the key data using two different data, and (b) generates the authentication data using the key data.

21. (New) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the image sensing apparatus is a digital camera or an apparatus including a digital camera.